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## William Harper Promoted to District 14 Supervisor in Division of Probation & Parole

**FRANKFORT, Ky.** (Nov. 14, 2016) – Kentucky Department of Corrections Deputy Commissioner Kim Potter-Blair today announced the promotion of William Harper to district supervisor of District 14 in Versailles. District 14 covers ten counties including Bourbon, Garrard, Harrison, Jessamine, Lincoln, Nicholas, Pendleton, Robertson, Scott and Woodford. Harper assumes his new duties on Nov. 16.

"Bill Harper has worked very hard to prepare himself for his new role," said Potter-Blair. "His knowledge and professionalism have proved invaluable and will serve him well as the District 14 supervisor. He is a true asset to our leadership team."

Following service in the United States Marine Corps, Harper began his career working as a mounted park ranger at the Kentucky Horse Park. He then transferred and began employment at the Fayette Circuit Court as a compliance officer working in the child support enforcement office.

In 2000, he transferred to the Department of Corrections' Division of Probation and Parole as an officer in District 9. He served as a pre-sentence investigator and then transitioned into supervising a caseload.

In 2008, Harper was promoted to assistant supervisor in District 9. He was responsible for assigning presentence investigations and handling any problems that arise between the courts and probation and parole. He coordinated the transportation of parole violators from the Fayette County Detention Center to Blackburn Correctional Complex for their parole revocation hearings. Harper also served as a firearms instructor, taser instructor, and glock armorer for the district.

Harper is a 2000 graduate from the University of Kentucky with a bachelor's degree in psychology. He also served honorably in the United Stated Marine Corps. He was deployed on three different occasions which included service in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and Africa. He was recognized with numerous awards and medals that included the Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Citation and Sea Service with 2 stars.

Editor's note: photo attached